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M'KENZIE DAY

Wednesday, October 2, to be Big Fair Demonstration

At the request of a number of leading citizens of McKenzie and community, the Carroll County Fair management has set apart Wednesday, October 2, as "McKenzie Day," at the fair, and on that date the citizens of McKenzie and of the two districts (the Fourth and Twenty-second) in which McKenzie is situated, are expected to turn out en masse and take an active part in the program for that day. The time for the Floral and Industrial Parade has been changed from Tuesday morning to the same hour on Wednesday morning. Tuesday, the opening day of the fair, will be known as Public School Children's Day. All public schools of the county will have a holiday on that day, and a big County School Rally will occupy the time on that morning that was to be given over to the parade. Hundreds of school children will be on hand from all parts of the county and addresses will be delivered by the State Superintendent of Public Instruction and other prominent educators.

The big Floral and Industrial Parade having been changed to Wednesday, which will be "McKenzie Day," the citizens of that town are expecting to take a leading part in making it a success. They will have a half dozen or more decorated automobiles in line, also a number of floats representing the schools, business firms, Sunday schools and lodges of that town. The following ladies and gentlemen have been appointed a special committee to look after the McKenzie portion of the parade: Mrs. George McKenzie, Misses Ella Walker Ramsey and Ruth Burns, and Messrs. Sidney Shannon, J. A. Robins, Fern Scates and Lloyd Cannon. This committee is composed of progressive citizens of the town and they will no doubt see to it that McKenzie makes a fine showing in the parade. Other special days will be announced later.

Tennessee Day

Governor Hooper has issued the following proclamation declaring Thursday, September 19, Tennessee day at the state fair, a holiday.

"Whereas, the Tennessee State Fair Association has fixed Thursday, September 19, 1912, as Tennessee day at the state fair, and Whereas, it is especially desired that all citizens of Tennessee attend the state fair on that day in order that the exhibits of her resources and evidences of their development may be observed.

"Now therefore, I, Ben W. Hooper, governor of the state of Tennessee, by virtue of the power and authority in me vested, do hereby order and direct that on that day all state offices be closed and that so far as practicable business be suspended.

"In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state of Tennessee to be affixed.

"BEN W. HOOPER, Governor."

POSTON AND ANDERSON

Heard in Trezevant in Behalf of Bull Moose Cause

Col. W. F. Poston, of Alamo, candidate for governor on the new progressive party ticket, and Hon. Harry B. Anderson, of Memphis, candidate for Roosevelt elector, addressed a crowd at Trezevant Saturday afternoon. Mr. Poston reviewed the administration of Gov. Hooper, charging that it had been very extravagant and barren of any good. He made his appeal to the voters, promising a business administration if elected governor. Mr. Anderson spoke chiefly of national affairs. The speeches were well received by those who heard them.

Mr. Anderson in referring to the Trezevant speaking, in a newspaper interview at Nashville, said that a large crowd was in attendance and that Col. Poston made a great impression. "Col. Poston is a wonderfully effective stump speaker," said Mr. Anderson, "and before the campaign ends he will take the fir off of his opponents."

Farmers' Institute

The West Tennessee Farmers' Institute will convene in Jackson in annual session on October 1, and will continue three days. It is expected that not less than 1,500 delegates will be in attendance.

CROP MATURING

Deterioration in Cotton Caused by Heat and Drouth

The Commercial Appeal gives the following summary of the cotton condition:

Immensely hot, dry weather during the last week forced the cotton crop far toward maturity. In the Carolinas, Georgia and portions of Alabama heavy deterioration—in excess of that incident to maturity—was caused by the severe heat and drouth. The plant shedded leaves, squares and young bolls in great quantities. It is generally believed that the deterioration has gone so far that a rain would be of little, if any, benefit.

In a large portion of Alabama and in all states west of that state, save Texas and Louisiana, the plant continues to grow except on sandy and other light soils, where maturity has about been reached. In heavy soils the plant is growing and fruiting and a good crop is promised on this land in all these states. In the other states of the belt and on light soils in those in which fruiting has continued, the top crop holds forth little promise.

In Texas the crop has opened unusually rapidly and fields are white with cotton waiting for pickers, who are more or less scarce. Picking, however, is going forward as rapidly as the labor on hand can get it out in the intense heat. The yield is proving better than expected and the quality is generally high, notwithstanding some complaint is made from this and other states of shortness of staple on account of premature opening.

Picking has become quite general over the belt except in the extreme northern portion. In most localities the yield of lint is heavier than usual. Most farmers are rushing their crop to market as fast as ginned, although a few are disposed to hold the staple for higher prices.

In Tennessee the crop grew and fruited in satisfactory manner, although hot, dry weather forced plants far toward maturity and natural deterioration will soon set in. Plant is heavily fruited, but late frost will be necessary to mature top crop. A good rain would be beneficial, although little actual damage has yet been done by the drouth. No insects.

CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEE

Held an Interesting Meeting at Jackson Saturday.

The republican executive committee of the Eighth congressional district, held a meeting at Jackson last Saturday. Every county was represented either in person or by proxy.

Some months ago a congressional convention was held in Camden and after quite a lively fight Will Ross, of Savannah, was nominated. Clyde Grissom, of McKenzie, being dissatisfied with the action of the convention, announced as an independent candidate. A few weeks ago the candidates, Ross and Grissom, held a conference and both decided to withdraw from the contest and refer the matter of naming a candidate back to the committee.

The committee met Saturday for the purpose of disposing of this matter. After some discussion and quite a lot of hedging, in which the Roosevelt and Taft friends each took advantage, it was decided to stand by the action of the Camden convention and recognize Ross as the nominee. The committee declined to endorse Taft, but no effort was made to endorse Roosevelt.

Ross and Grissom were not present, and we have not learned whether Ross will go back into the race or not, and the action Grissom will take in the matter.

Patterson to Open

Former Governor M. R. Patterson, candidate for the democratic senatorial nomination, will open his campaign at the Vendome in Nashville at 8 p. m., September 20. In a statement given out last week the ex-governor had some pretty caustic things to say about those who think he should not get into the race at this time.

Mrs. Hassie Odom, who has been with her daughter, Mrs. Willie Johnson, for some time, left last Tuesday to stay for a while with her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Pritchard, at Clarksburg.



MR. W. H. EASON AND DAUGHTER

We give our readers this week the picture of W. H. Eason and little daughter, Frances Bevely. Mr. Eason is the manager of the Carroll County Fair and is working hard to make the fair this year the largest and best it has ever been. The fair last year was under his management and was a splendid success, and the prospects for a good fair this year are very flattering. The committees are at work and plans are being matured to make the various departments complete and the most interesting possible.

Mr. Eason is a traveling man, representing the International Agricultural Corporation, and has for his territory Kentucky and Tennessee, and is on the road a great deal of his time. He is making good with his company and proving himself a valuable salesman.

He is one of Huntingdon's boosters and stands for the town beautiful. He is happily married, his wife being formerly Miss Olga Wilder, and their home is blessed with two daughters, the oldest appearing with him in the picture, and an infant a few weeks old.

He is the son of the late W. H. Eason, was born and reared in Huntingdon, and being a product of this progressive little city, the home and interests being here, he always has a kind word for his town and is a traveling booster of the town and community.

MRS. JAMES H. KEE

Death of a Most Estimable Christian Woman

In the death of Mrs. James H. Kee, of the Thirteenth district, which occurred last Sunday, that community lost one of its most devoted christian women. The deceased was sick several days, a complication of diseases causing her death. She was about 44 years old, a member of the Baptist church at Concord, and is survived by her husband and five children.

Mrs. Kee was the daughter of H. C. Petty, was a devoted mother, a kind neighbor and a loving wife. Her kind disposition and lovable traits of character made her admired of all who knew her. The church and community have sustained a severe loss.

A large crowd attended the funeral services Monday, conducted by Revs. Joyner and Boyd. The burial occurred at the Blair graveyard.

JAIL DELIVERY

Important Prisoners Escape From Camden Jail

Wilson Presson, charged with the murder of his cousin, Lewis Presson, in July and held without bail, and Harvey Prewett, charged with larceny, made their escape from the Camden jail Thursday night of last week.

They escaped by cutting through the concrete floor of their cell, escaping to the corridor and dashing through the open door. The two men had just been given their supper. The alarm was immediately given and a posse organized for the pursuit.

Presson is a man of 35 or 40 years old and weighs about 130 pounds. He was held without bail, Judge Joseph E. Jones having denied his application for a writ of habeas corpus some time ago.

Prewett is a youth of 18 or 20 years and weighs about 175 pounds. It is thought possible that they received assistance from the outside.

WESTPORT DOINGS

Protracted Meeting With Fine Results Closed Sunday

The Baptist church of Westport closed a fine meeting last Sunday night. The meeting had been in progress something over a week, and there were between twelve and fifteen conversions. There were fully that many additions to the church. The pastor, Rev. G. M. Workman, was assisted in conducting the meeting by Rev. Jones, of Martin, Rev. Jones doing most of the preaching. Mr. Jones did some able preaching, and his work was productive of much good. The pastor, last Saturday afternoon, baptized thirteen people who had united with the church during the meeting.

S. N. Allen has returned home from Red Boiling Springs. Mr. Allen has been in bad health for some time and he had hoped that a stay at Red Boiling Springs would prove beneficial to him, but his condition is not improved and his people fear he is growing more critical all the time.

Mrs. Lewis Hilliard has been quite sick for some time, but her condition is said to be much improved now.

Joe H. McCall, who operates a stove factory in Henry county, was in Memphis Saturday having some breaks in his machinery repaired.

The wife of J. H. Kee, of the Thirteenth district, was reported a few days ago to be in a very critical condition, and her people were very uneasy about her. She had been bad sick several days.

A new born babe came into the home of B. F. Holmes one day last week.

Miss Callie Walker, of Chesterfield, has been visiting friends and relatives in Westport. She presided at the organ during the big revival, and her services were very much appreciated by the church and town.

G. G. Joyner sold a farm in the Twenty-fourth district to Walter Hilliard. The sale was closed Friday or Saturday. It was the farm Mr. Joyner lived on and the consideration, so we understand, was \$1,200.

J. T. Merrick and Will Eubanks are putting up a new gin in Westport. The boiler and quite a lot of the material have been placed on the ground and the plant is to be ready for this year's crop. It is to be an up-to-date gin when completed. This will be the third gin for Westport and they will all be operated this fall. A saw mill will also be operated with the gin.

Westport is surrounded by some very fine country and a splendid class of farmers, and is a good trading point. There are some good people there and a large number of them take the Democrat.

John T. Moore has recently overhauled his home and added very much to it. He has built some new rooms, verandas and has newly papered and painted the entire building. His home is beautifully furnished and every thing about it shows taste and good judgment. Mrs. Moore, we think, must have had a hand in the planning and in the work.

The Westport people are planning, and, in fact, are already getting the timber on the ground to make the lumber for the erection of a new school building. They propose moving the site of their school to a more appropriate place and building a house to meet the increased demands of the growing community.

Williams-Richardson

Mr. James T. Williams and Miss Mamie Richardson, prominent young people of the Sixth district, were married last week, Esquire John T. Biggart saying the ceremony. The marriage occurred at the home of the bride's father, B. F. Richardson, in the presence of a large number of friends.

The groom is the son of Newt Williams, a young farmer and a splendid gentleman. The bride is a most excellent young lady. She held a position in the register's office for several months and made many friends among our people. She is beautiful and cultured. Their many friends wish them a happy and prosperous married life.

First-class job printing done on short notice at this office.

FARMERS' UNION

Carroll Countains are Important State Officers

Last week witnessed an important gathering of members of the Farmers' Educational and Co-operative Union at Chattanooga. Both the national and Tennessee state organizations held their annual conventions, and members were in attendance from all over the United States.

The national association adopted the following resolutions through the report of its legislative committee.

"The National Farmers' Union, in convention assembled at Chattanooga, Tenn., September 3, 1912, commend to state unions for consideration the following legislative program, to-wit:

"That the United States supreme court judges be elected by the people for a term of years.

"That United States senators be elected by the electors of the several states.

"That corporations should not be permitted to own more land than is actually needed in the conduct of the business.

"That exorbitant and discriminating transportation rates should not be allowed.

"That legalized primary laws should succeed the political conventions.

"That the initiative, referendum and recall be adopted by all the states and the national government.

"That a rigid corrupt practice act should be enacted by all the states, making it a felony with a heavy penalty to offer or accept bribes."

Many subjects of importance to the national organization were discussed.

The state convention was largely attended. The fact that the national meeting was also held in Chattanooga, caused a larger attendance from the state than perhaps otherwise would have been.

The election of state officers resulted as follows: L. M. Rhodes, of Huntingdon, president; Robert McFarland, of McMinnville, vice-president, and C. W. Brooks, of Atwood, secretary and treasurer. Reports of the secretary and treasurer and executive committee were read, showing progress in all lines. The membership has increased 5,000.

State President L. M. Rhodes was also elected a member of the national executive committee.

LOST HIS WAD

A Carroll County Citizen Falls Among the Phillistines

J. M. Davis, a prominent citizen and business man of the Twelfth district, had some very expensive experience in St. Louis the latter part of last week. He went to St. Louis to dispose of a carload of cattle. He sold his stock, received the money, but fell into the hands of Phillistines and came home empty handed.

He met the usual confidential friend, who was anxious to help him sell his cattle and give him any advice he might need. This good friend offered to set 'em up, but whisky and beer were declined, but soda water was taken and Mr. Davis says he was doped. While under this influence he was induced to sign a draft for \$2,000. When his cattle was sold he took up this draft by paying in the \$600 the car brought him, and when the transaction was over the sharper had his \$600 and Mr. Davis had a big bunch of experience.

The man who worked him claimed he lived in Memphis and returned with Mr. Davis as far as Cairo, where he was to meet his brother and get the necessary money to make good Mr. Davis' loss, but at Cairo the good friend disappeared and Mr. Davis came on home.

Failed to Meet

The "regulars" are trying hard to get out a full ticket for the legislature that will stand with them in trying to elect Ham Patterson and restore whisky to Tennessee. An effort was made to have the floterial committee of the regulars to meet in McKenzie last Monday, but only one or two members gathered, the others, from some cause, failed to materialize. This floterial district will hardly send a man who favors Patterson to the legislature.

The Democrat—52 weeks, \$1.

WANTED—FAIR EXHIBITS

From all Parts of Every Civil District of Carroll County for The Seventh Annual

Carroll County Fair AT HUNTINGDON

Beginning TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1st Closing SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5th

For any of the following departments: Floral, Live Stock, Poultry, Fine Arts, Culinary, Domestic Arts, Farm Products and Horticulture.

We also desire a full list of entries of all Riding and Driving Contests, etc. Contestants will be welcomed from all parts of Carroll County and elsewhere. All entries absolutely free in all departments and in all contests.

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W. H. EASON, SEC. AND GEN. MAN HUNTINGDON, TENN